



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. **4724.0089-00**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**Katsuhiko SATO et al.**

Application No.: 09/367,060

Filed: August 6, 1999

For: LASER EMITTING HEAD, LASER-  
BEAM TRANSMISSION  
APPARATUS, METHOD OF  
ADJUSTING LASER-BEAM  
TRANSMISSION APPARATUS,  
AND INCORE-STRUCTURE  
PREVENTIVE-MAINTENANCE/  
REPAIR APPARATUS

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**Commissioner for Patents**  
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**Sir:**

**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) thereby fulfilling the requirements for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. In reply to the Final Office Action dated mailed July 17, 2003, the period for response to which extends through December 17, 2003, the reply having been extended for two months by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections beginning on page 24 of this paper.

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